

## Article - Family Law

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§5–356.

(a) A local department shall make reasonable efforts to compile and make available to a prospective adoptive parent:

(1) all of the prospective adoptee's medical and mental health records that the local department has; or

(2) a comprehensive medical and mental health history of the prospective adoptee.

(b) On request of an adoptive or prospective adoptive parent, a local department shall make reasonable efforts to compile a pertinent medical and mental health history of each of the prospective adoptee's or adoptee's parents or former parents, if available to the local department, and to make the history available to the adoptive or prospective adoptive parent.

(c) (1) If, after adoption, a local department receives medical or mental health information about the adoptee or adoptee's former parent, the local department shall make reasonable efforts to make the information available to the adoptive parent.

(2) If, after adoption, the adoptive parent requests additional information, the local department shall make reasonable efforts to notify the former parent, at the former parent's last known address available to the local department, of the request and the reason for the request.

(d) A medical or mental health history compiled under this section may not contain identifying information about a parent or former parent.

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